

## BIPARTISAN CONSENSUS MANAGED CARE IMPROVEMENT ACT OF 1999;

## QUALITY CARE FOR THE UNINSURED ACT OF 1999

*Committee on Rules:* Granted, by a vote of 9 to 3, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 2990 and H.R. 2723. The rule provides two hours of debate in the House on H.R. 2990, Quality Care for the Uninsured Act of 1999, equally divided among and controlled by the chairmen and ranking minority members of the Committee on Commerce, the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2990.

The rule provides three hours of general debate on H.R. 2723, Bipartisan Consensus Managed Care Improvement Act of 1999, equally divided among and controlled by the chairmen and ranking minority members of the Committee on Commerce, the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendments printed in part A of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution shall be considered as adopted upon adoption of the rule. The rule provides for consideration of only the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in part B of the Rules Committee report will be considered only in the order specified in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent and shall not be subject to amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in part B of the report except that the adoption of an amendment in the nature of a substitute shall constitute the conclusion of consideration of the bill for amendment. The rule provides one motion to recommit H.R. 2723, with or without instructions. Finally, the rule provides that in the engrossment of H.R. 2990, the clerk shall add the text of H.R. 2723, as passed by the House, as a new matter at the end of H.R. 2990, and then lay H.R. 2723 on the table.

## PLANT GENOME SCIENCE

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Basic Research continued hearings on Plant Genome Science: From the Lab to the Field to the Market, Part 2. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

## FUELS FOR FUTURE

*Committee on Science:* Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Fuels for Future. Testimony was heard from Jay E. Hakes, Administrator, Energy Information Administration, Department of Energy; and public witnesses.

## FATHERHOOD LEGISLATION

*Committee on Ways and Means:* Subcommittee on Human Resources held a hearing on fatherhood legislation. Testimony was heard from Senator Bayh; Representatives Shaw and Carson; Marilyn Ray Smith, Associate Deputy Commissioner and Chief Legal Counsel, Child Support Enforcement Division, Department of Revenue, State of Massachusetts; and public witnesses.

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## COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* to hold hearings to review public policy related to biotechnology, focusing on domestic approval process, benefits of biotechnology and an emphasis on challenges facing farmers to segregation of product, 9 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings on the national security implications of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty; to be followed by a closed hearing (SH-219), 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* to hold hearings on S. 1510, to revise the laws of the United States appertaining to United States cruise vessels, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* to hold hearings on the nomination of Glenn L. McCullough, Jr., of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority; the nomination of Skila Harris, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for the remainder of the term expiring May 18, 2005; the nomination of Gerald V. Poje, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board; and S. 1323, to amend the Federal Power Act to ensure that certain Federal power customers are provided protection by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 3 p.m., SD-406.

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* to hold hearings to examine United States support for the peace process and anti-drug efforts in Colombia, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the conduct of the NATO air campaign in Yugoslavia, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings on pending intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Subcommittee on Technology, Terrorism, and Government Information, to hold

hearings to examine fiber terrorism on computer infrastructure, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Full Committee, to hold hearings on S. 1455, to enhance protections against fraud in the offering of financial assistance for college education, 2 p.m., SD-226.

### House

*Committee on Agriculture*, hearing to review the USDA's Russian Food Aid Program, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Commerce*, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to continue hearings on H.R. 2944, Electricity Competition and Reliability Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, to consider the authorization of subpoena(s) with respect to ongoing investigations by the Committee; followed by a continuation of hearings on Blood Safety and Availability, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce*, to continue mark up of H.R. 2, to send more dollars to the classroom, and to mark up the following measures: H.R. 2300, Academic Achievement for All Act (Straight A's Act); and H. Res. 303, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives urging that 95 percent of Federal education dollars be spent in the classroom, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Government Reform*, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information, and Technology and the Subcommittee on Technology of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on State of the States: Will Y2K Disrupt Essential Services? 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources and Regulatory Affairs and the Subcommittee

on Energy and Environment of the Committee on Science, joint hearing on Is CO<sub>2</sub> a Pollutant and Does EPA Have the Power to Regulate It? 2:30 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

*Committee on International Relations*, hearing on U.S. Policy Toward Russia, Part I: Warnings and Dissent, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Operations and Human Rights, hearing on the First Annual State Department Report on International Religious Freedom, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Resources*, to consider the following bills: S. 278, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain lands to the County of Rio Arriba, New Mexico; S. 382, Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1999; H.R. 2496, to reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1999; H.R. 2669, Coastal Community Conservation Act of 1999; H.R. 2821, to amend the North American Wetlands Conservation Act to provide for appointment of 2 additional members of the North American Wetlands Conservation Council; H.R. 2970, Rongelap Resettlement Act of 1999; and the Resources Reports Restoration Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

*Committee on Rules*, to consider a measure making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 20, 2000, 1:30 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on H.R. 2332, Binational Great Lakes-Seaway Enhancement Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.